


COUNTY OF YORK

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 3, 2006 (BOS Mtg. 5/16/06)

TO: York County Board of Supervisors

FROM: James O. McReynolds, County Administrator 

SUBJECT: Stormwater Advisory Committee Membership

The Stormwater Advisory Committee (SAC) continues to advise the Board on stormwater problems and fulfill, with a high degree of success, the public education and outreach mandates of the National/Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System Phase II MS4 (Municipal Separate Stormwater Sewer System) rules. The SAC has developed the brochure "A Homeowners Guide to Healthy Stormwater Drainage System," flood and pollution prevention fact sheets, given a number of briefings to community organizations, actively participated with adjacent military and other localities to solve common drainage problems, assisted the staff with numerous suggestions and review of current policies regarding stormwater, and has provided in-depth suggestions on how to improve the County staff's stormwater development review process. The Committee is nearly complete with an in-depth BMP Maintenance Guide tailored to York County that will assist homeowner associations with maintenance of their Best Management Practices (BMP's).

The SAC is not without its problems; getting sufficient citizen candidates to fill the available positions in each district has been a continuous problem. Currently, three vacancies exist, with eight vacancies expected in June without a Charter amendment to remove the requirement limiting a member to serving no more than two consecutive terms. The second terms of four key members, who have performed a major portion of the work mentioned above, expire in June. Three of these members are willing to serve a third term, but they are currently prohibited from doing so under the current policy. With the current vacancies and the potential loss of these key members, the SAC's current efforts and ongoing initiatives are in jeopardy.

Recommendation

I recommend that the current Stormwater Advisory Committee organizational structure and duties be amended to eliminate the two-year consecutive term limitation by adoption of proposed Resolution R06-53.

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Attachments:

1. Resolution R02-7 dated February 19, 2002
2. Current SAC Board Membership Listing
3. Proposed Resolution R06-53